



CITY OF SEQUIM News

February 2014



Meeting Dates & Locations

City Council Regular Meeting Transit Center	2nd & 4th Monday 6:00 p.m.
City Council Study Session Transit Center (when required)	2nd & 4th Monday 5:00 p.m.
Planning Commission Transit Center	Tuesdays, February 4 & 18 6:00 p.m.
Parks and Recreation Board PW—615 N. 5th Ave.	2nd Tuesday 6:30 p.m.
Lodging Tax Advisory Comm. Transit Center Conf. Room	Quarterly—Next Meeting March 14 10:00 a.m.

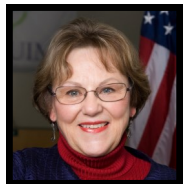


**City Offices Will be Closed on
Monday, February 17**
In observation of President's Day

Plans Progress on New Civic Center



Architectural rendering of the New Civic Center exterior.



"Coffee with the Mayor"

Sequim residents can meet informally with new Sequim Mayor Candace Pratt on Thursdays, February 6 & 20 at Suzon's Coffee Lounge, 145 E. Washington Street at 8:30 a.m.

The Mayor will be at a different published location each month to meet with anyone who wants to chat, ask questions, express a concern, or make a comment about the City or the community. Candace Pratt was elected Mayor by the City Council at the January 13 council meeting. Dennis Smith was elected Mayor Pro Tem at the same meeting.

Please contact Candace Pratt at (360) 582-0114 or cpratt@sequimwa.gov with questions.

Community Garden Plots Available



The City of Sequim and Friends of the Field are reserving garden plots for the Community Organic Gardens of Sequim for 2014. The plots are available in raised beds and ground beds. The fee per bed is \$45.00 per calendar year. The gardening season runs from March through October. Plots are available at two different gardens: one is located on Fir Street behind St. Luke's Episcopal Church and one is located at the June Robinson Memorial Park on the corner of Spruce Street and Sunnyside Avenue. In addition to working their own plots, all participants are asked to put in 4 hours of community gardening. Contact Liz Harper at 683-7698 to reserve space at the Fir Street garden or the City of Sequim at 683-4139 for the June Robinson Memorial Park garden plots.

The City of Sequim has signed a contract with the Lydig Integrus Design Build team to move forward with the development of the new Civic Center project. The architects and builders are now working with City staff to finalize the building design and floor plan of the new City Hall and Police Station. Demolition of the old City Hall and the Serenity House buildings is expected to begin in March or April.

The City Council selected the Lydig Integrus team based on a recommendation from the City Manager after the proposals were scored by the project evaluation team on how well they met the request for proposal criteria.

Members of the community were invited to view the design proposals and provide feedback at an Open House held on December 3, 2013.

To follow progress on the Civic Center project, visit the City website <http://www.sequimwa.gov>

Pooling Water in the Streets?

Help the City with the Stormwater Assessment Needs Project by sending photographs and videos of problem areas to Ann Soule at asoule@sequimwa.gov with the location, date, and time the image was taken. Contact Ann at 582-2436 with questions. To learn more about the project, visit <http://www.sequimwa.gov/index.aspx?NID=560>



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**Volunteer for the Sequim
Police Department**



The Sequim Police Department is accepting applications from Sequim/Clallam County residents interested in joining the Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS).

Application Deadline is February 14, 2014

Minimum Qualifications

- Sequim/Clallam County resident
- Age 21 or older
- No felony convictions
- Good character and standing in the community
- Ability to pass a background investigation

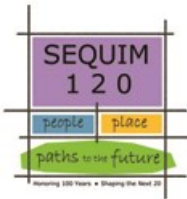
Applications are available at:

Sequim Police Department
609 W. Washington Street, Suite 16
Sequim, WA 98382
(360) 683-7227

Or on-line at

www.sequimwa.gov/police/volunteersinpolice

**Sequim 120—Receiving Excellent
Response from You!**



You've heard that Sequim may grow by 40% resulting in 3,000 or more new residents over the next 20 years. Where this growth occurs, how it affects your mobility through Sequim, the type of housing, where you do your daily shopping or errands and cost of services will be intimately influenced by the Sequim 120, Comprehensive Plan update.

We've received excellent participation in the Sequim 120 process; but, if you haven't participated, there is still time. Through February 14th, Planners will conduct a "House Call" with 12 or more of your friends and/or neighbors in your home or in a space reserved by you. You host or arrange a place, we'll provide the promo materials for you to distribute to your neighbors. Or, if you participate in a club or organization, planners can bring a "Road Show" as your meeting program.

Contact the project Hotline at 582-2448, or email sequim120@sequimwa.gov. Keep informed about the latest Sequim 120 news; visit www.sequimwa.gov/sequim120.

Get the Latest News!

You can sign up to receive City news and announcements directly through your email. Visit the City of Sequim website <http://www.sequimwa.gov> and click on E-notifications.

VOLUNTEER CORNER

**Adopt-A-Site Program Draws
Neighborhood Volunteer**



Volunteer Doug Smith weeds the planting strip along Blake Avenue.

Sequim resident Doug Smith and his wife Sherri live close to Carrie Blake Park and walk there almost every day with their dog.

"It's a lovely park which we always enjoy. I noticed the sign about adopting a site on the stretch along Blake Avenue for several months, but saw no progress on removing the weeds and grass which seemed to be overtaking the planted landscaping. I thought surely some group would take on the project, but no, so I went to the City to ask if I could try," Doug explained.

Doug talked with City of Sequim Volunteer Coordinator Pamela Leonard-Ray about adopting the site.

"I think volunteering in a community is important because most communities don't have the assets to do everything, and most everyone appreciates a well-kept city. If people have a personal stake in its cleanliness, they are more likely to keep it that way," Doug said.

Doug and Sherri moved to Sequim in August of 2013 after he retired from a 37 year career as a dentist. Doug recognizes the importance of volunteering as a key element of a successful retirement. He volunteered previously with the Los Padres National Forest doing trail work.

The Dungeness Community Church also participates in the Adopt-A-Site program and maintains the planting strips at Washington Street and Brackett Road, Washington Street and Dunlap, West Sequim Bay Road, and Heritage Park.

If you or your group would like to volunteer for the Adopt-A-Site program, or want to learn about other volunteer opportunities, contact Volunteer Program Coordinator Pamela Leonard-Ray at 582-2447 pleonard-ray@sequimwa.gov or City Clerk Karen Kuznek-Reese at 683-4139 kkuznek@sequimwa.gov.